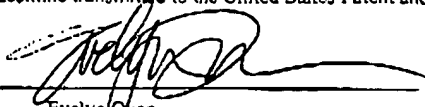


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## FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This is a first preliminary amendment to this application which is filed in response to a "Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b)" dated December 27, 2001, a copy of which Notice is attached hereto as required. This Notice pointed out that "Figure 15 described in the specification" was missing. There is no Figure 15 and the reference to it is incorrect. Applicant hereby elects option (III) specified in this Notice by means of this first Preliminary Amendment wherein it is requested that, prior to examination on the merits in the subject application, the Examiner please enter the following preliminary amendment: